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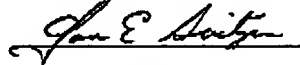
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Applicants: Bett, Andrew, et al.

Serial No.: 09/890,836 - Case No.: 20377YP

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For: IMPROVED HELPER DEPENDENT VECTOR  
SYSTEM FOR GENE THERAPY

Art Unit:

1648

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Sir:

This is in response to the outstanding Final Office Action dated January 14, 2004 received in connection with the above captioned matter. In that a response to the Final Office Action is due on April 14, 2004, this response is timely and no further extension of time is needed. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.